

NOOR JAHAN

Born a poor refugee, Meher was blessed with both spirit and talent. She could ride horseback and design fine clothes. She could lead armies to victory and yet be a doting wife. She could attend to the problems of a vast empire, and at the same time be blissfully happy making perfumes. Emperor Jahangir fell under her spell and aptly named her Noor Jahan, for she lit up his world with her love.

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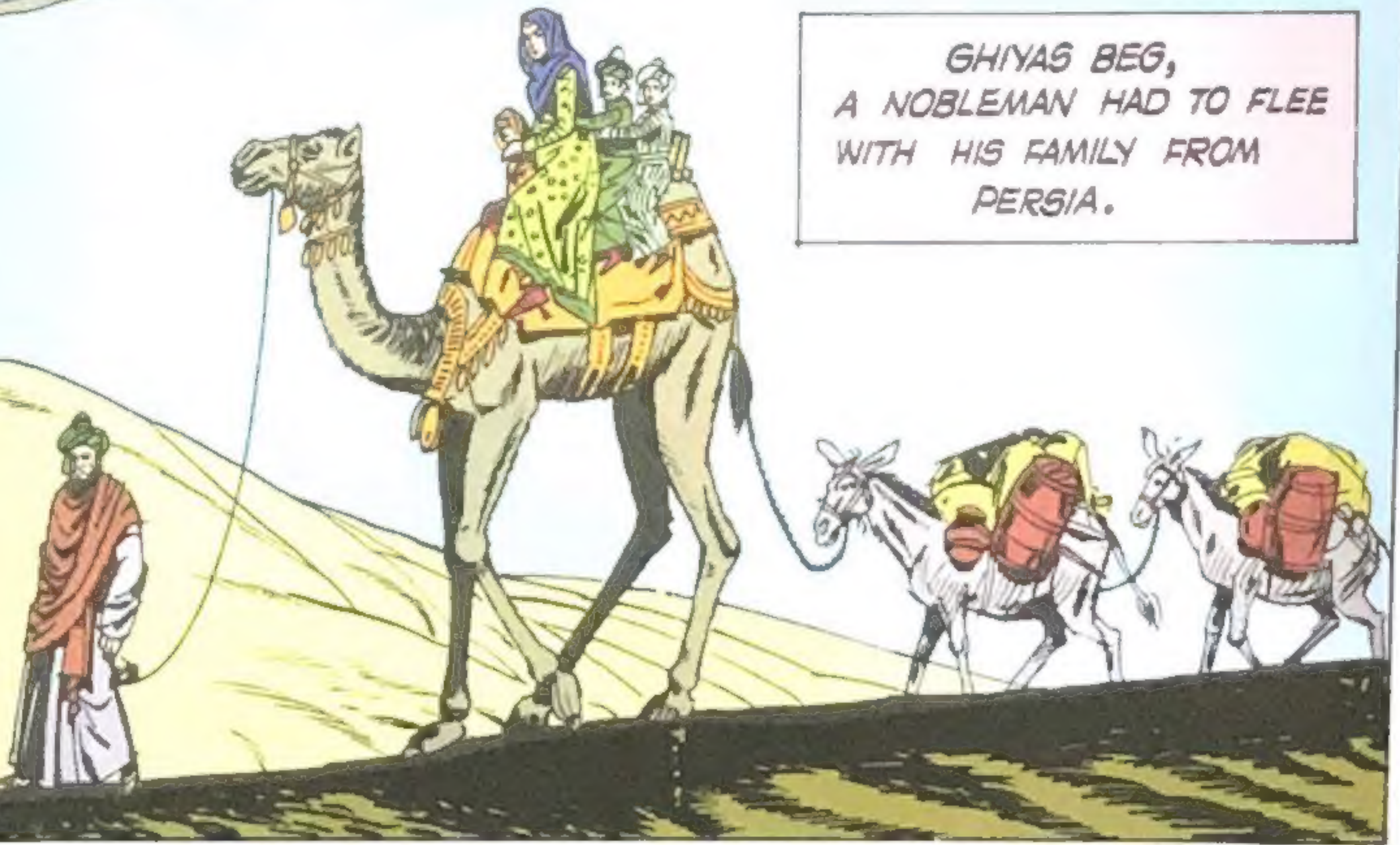
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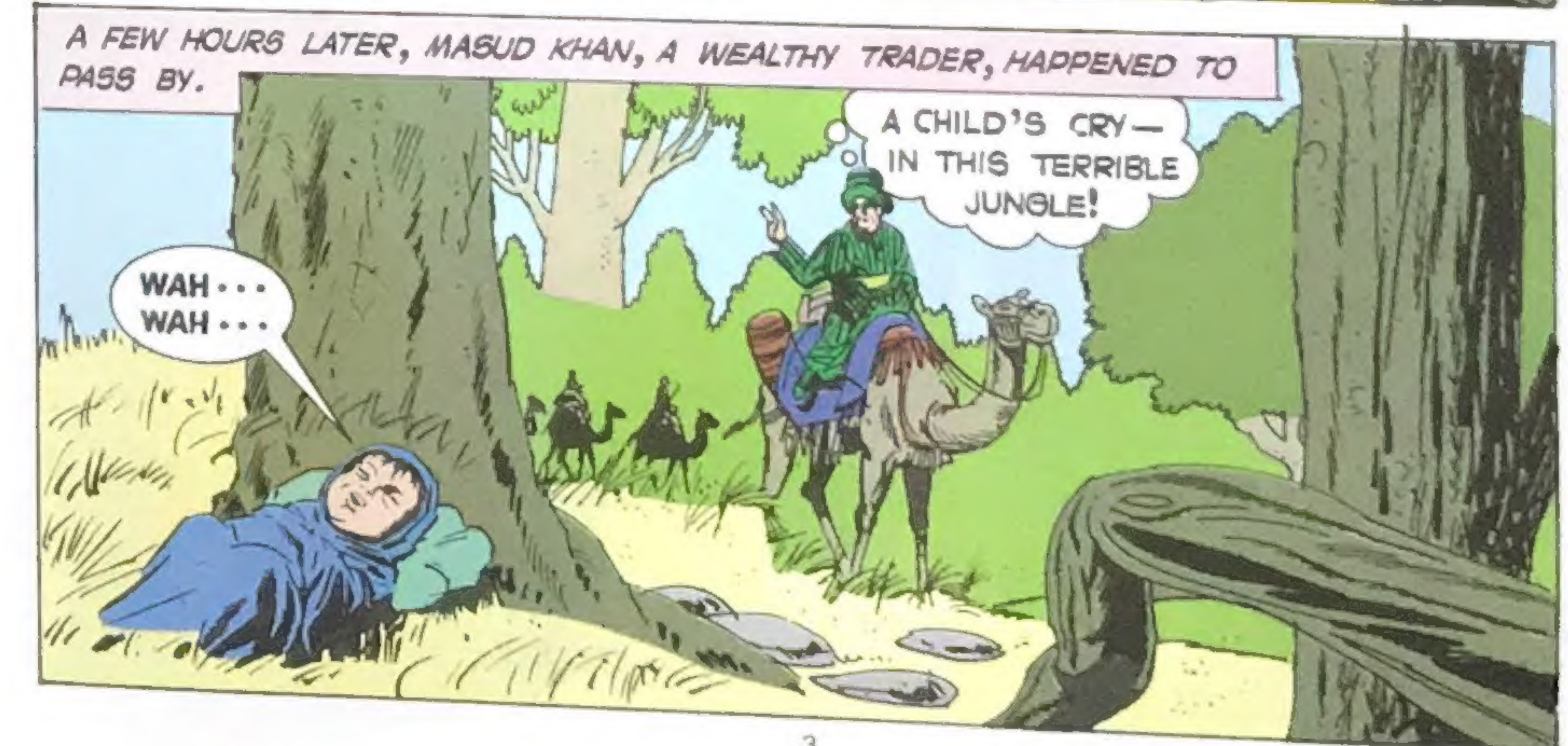
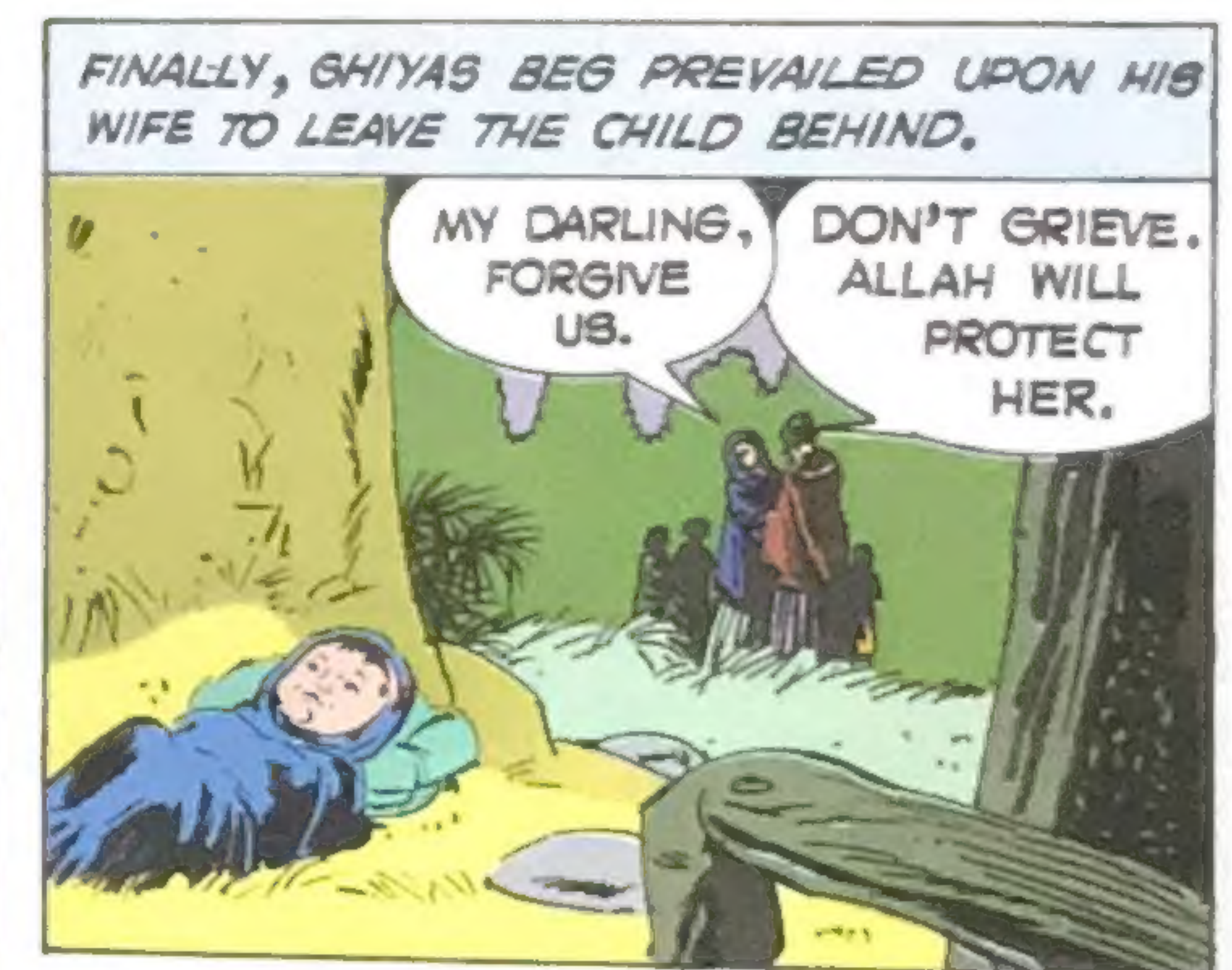
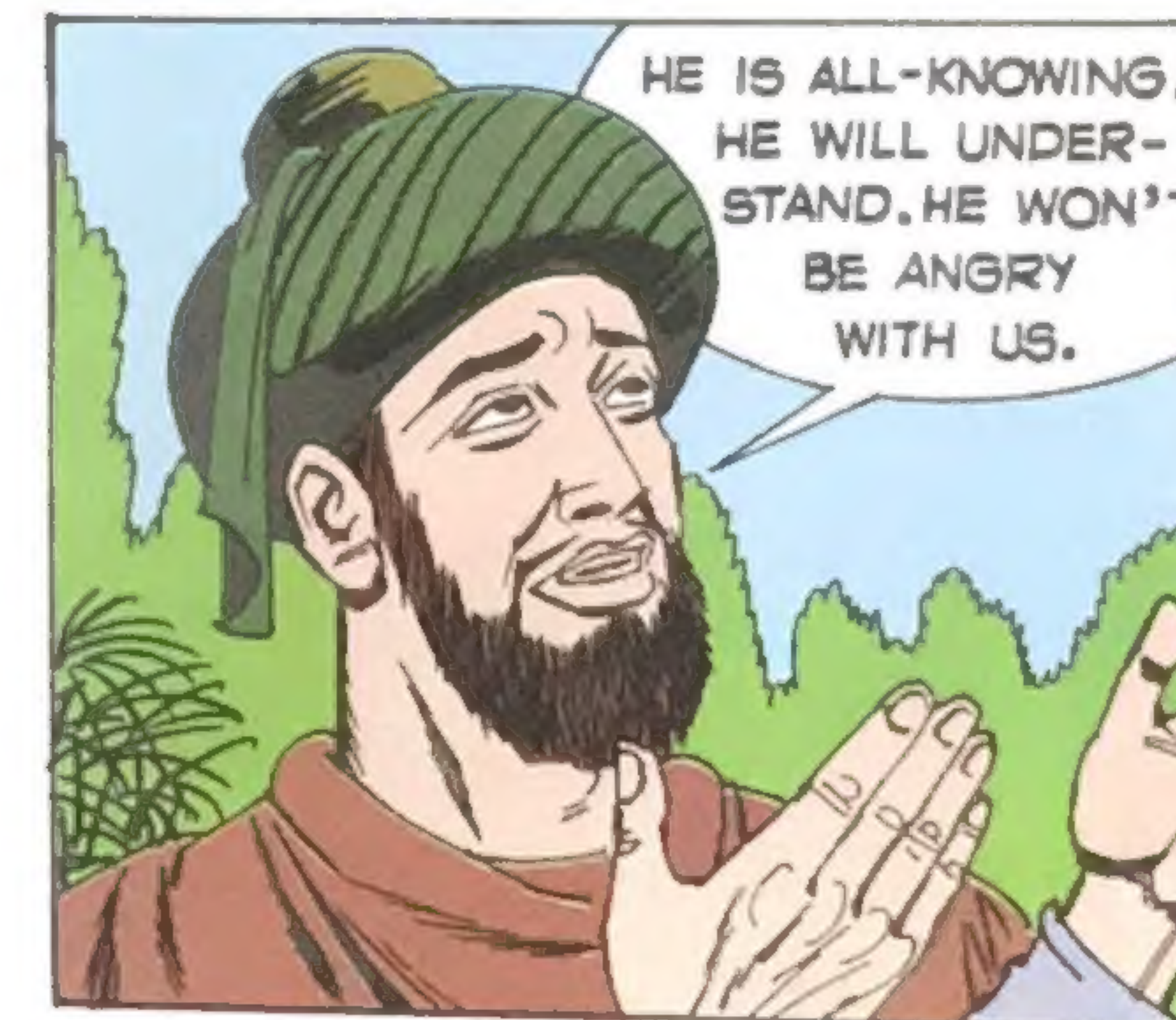
GHIYAS BEG,
A NOBLEMAN HAD TO FLEE
WITH HIS FAMILY FROM
PERSIA.



WHAT IS
TO BECOME
OF US?

DON'T WORRY.
WITH THE RICHES WE
HAVE MANAGED TO
BRING AWAY, WE CAN
MAKE A FRESH BEGIN-
NING IN HINDUSTAN.

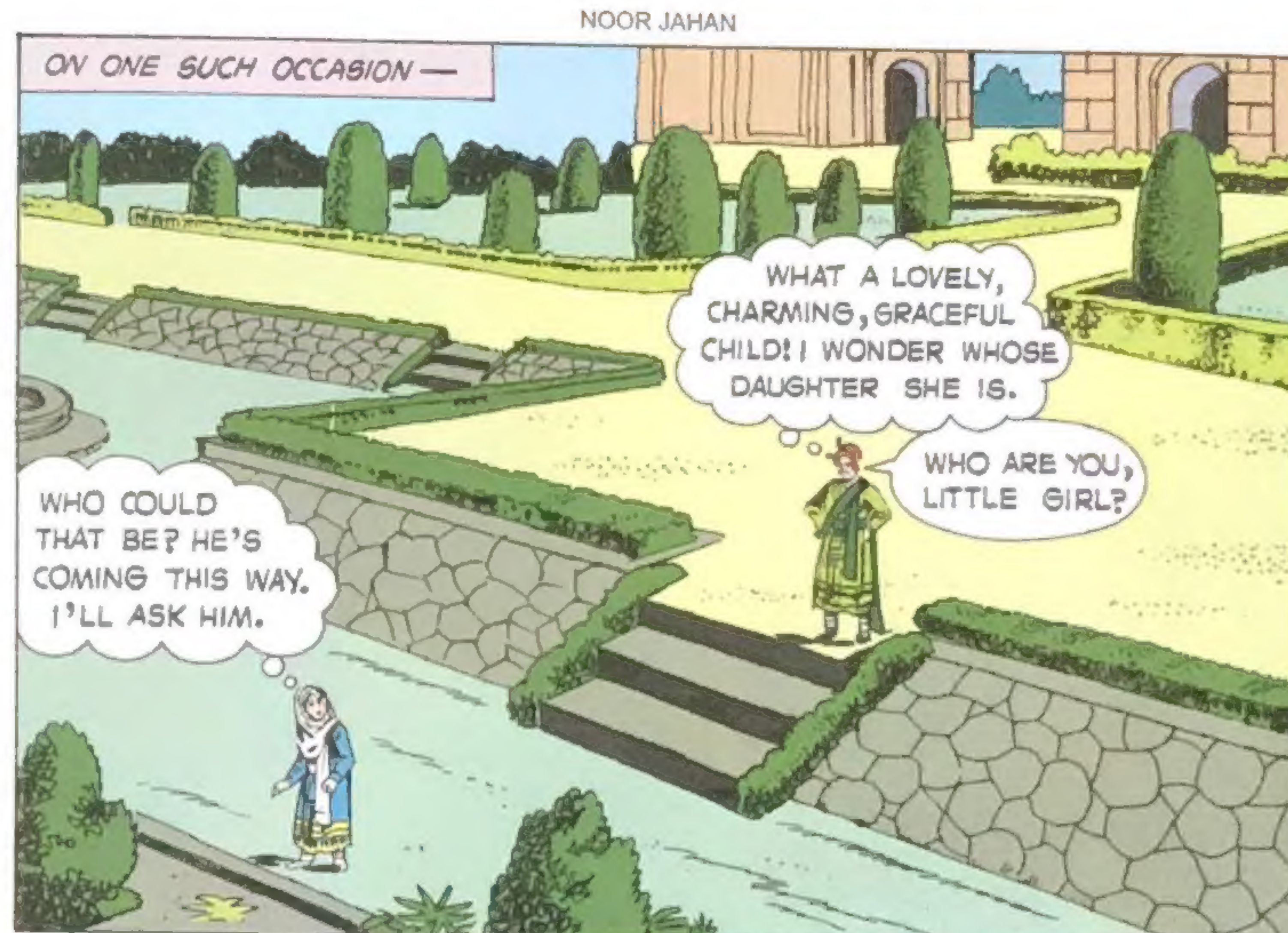








BUT WHAT GHIYAS BEG EARNED AS MANSABDAR WAS NOT SUFFICIENT TO MAINTAIN THE FAMILY. SO HIS WIFE SPENT HOURS EMBROIDERING SILKS WHILE MEHER WATCHED HER, FASCINATED.



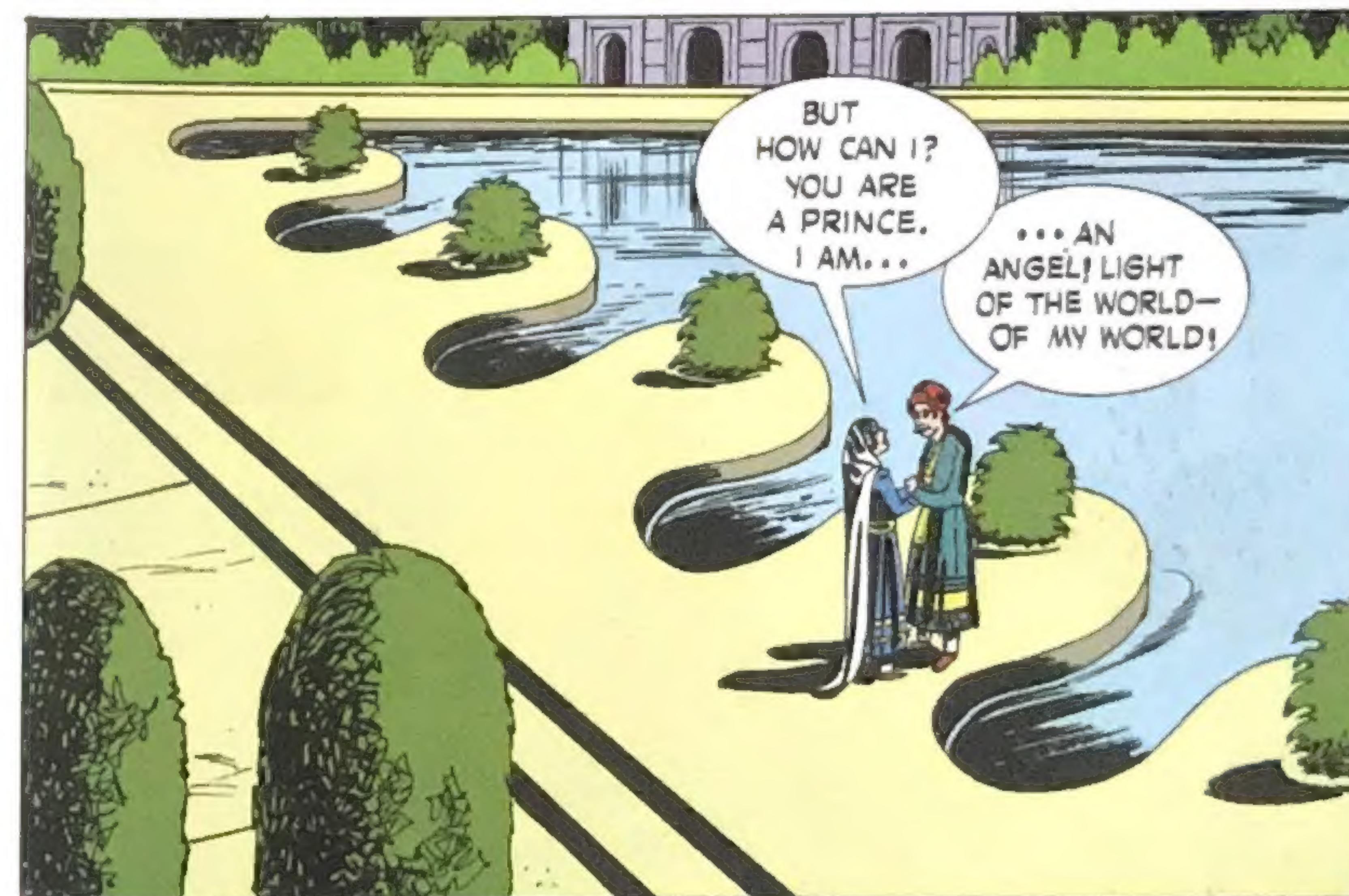
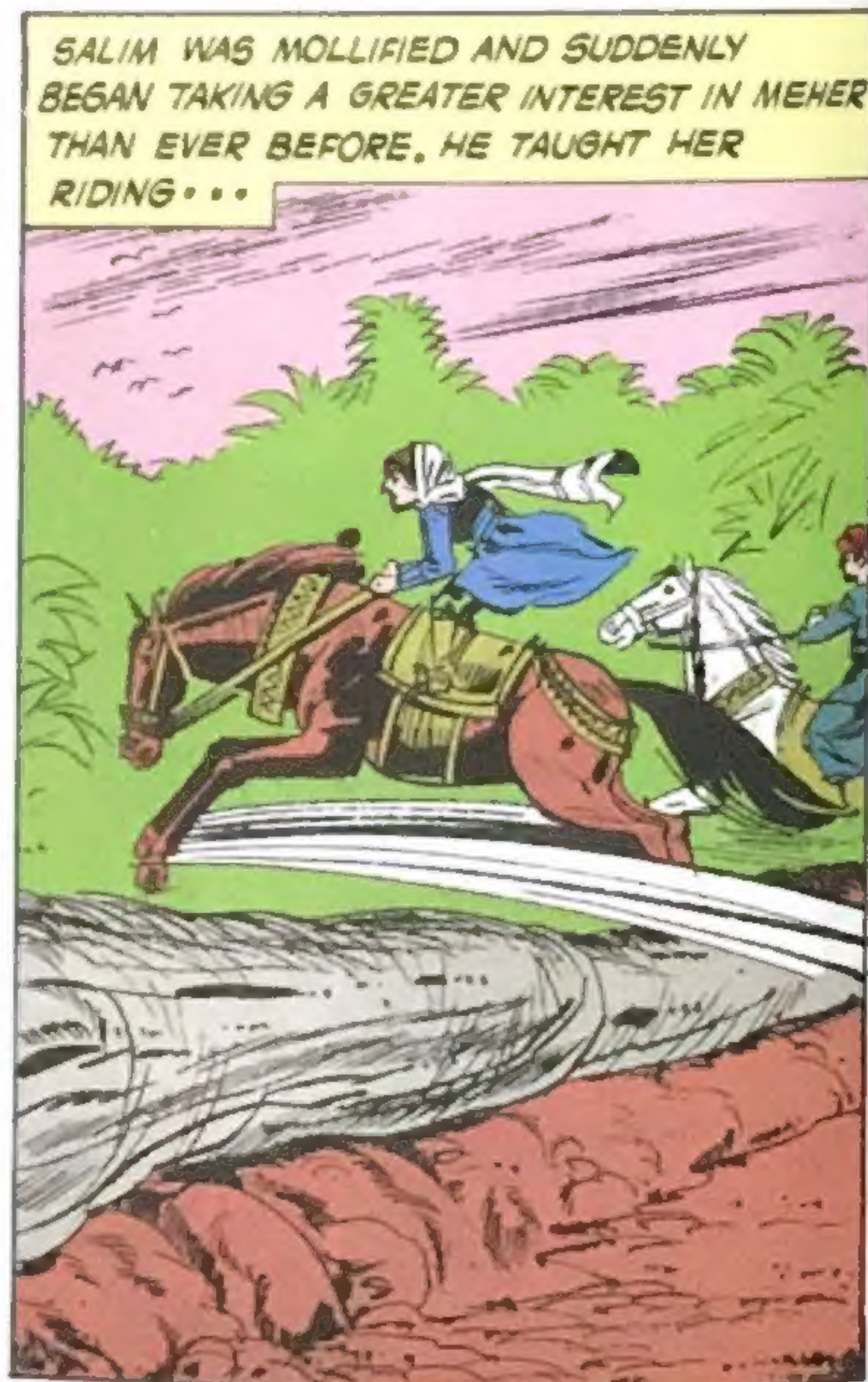
EQUALLY FASCINATED WERE THE LADIES OF THE HAREM, TO WHOM SHE SOLD THE MATERIAL.

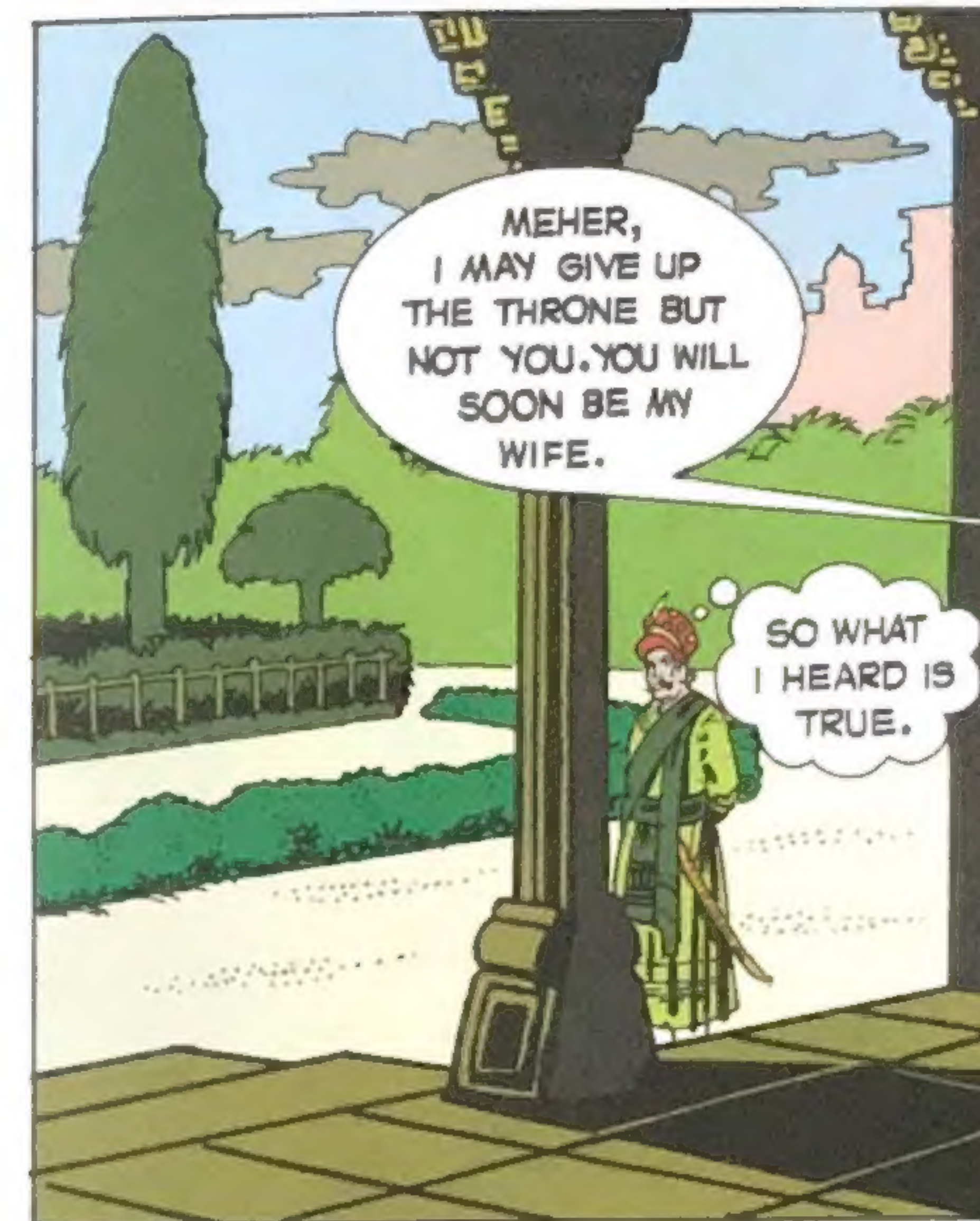
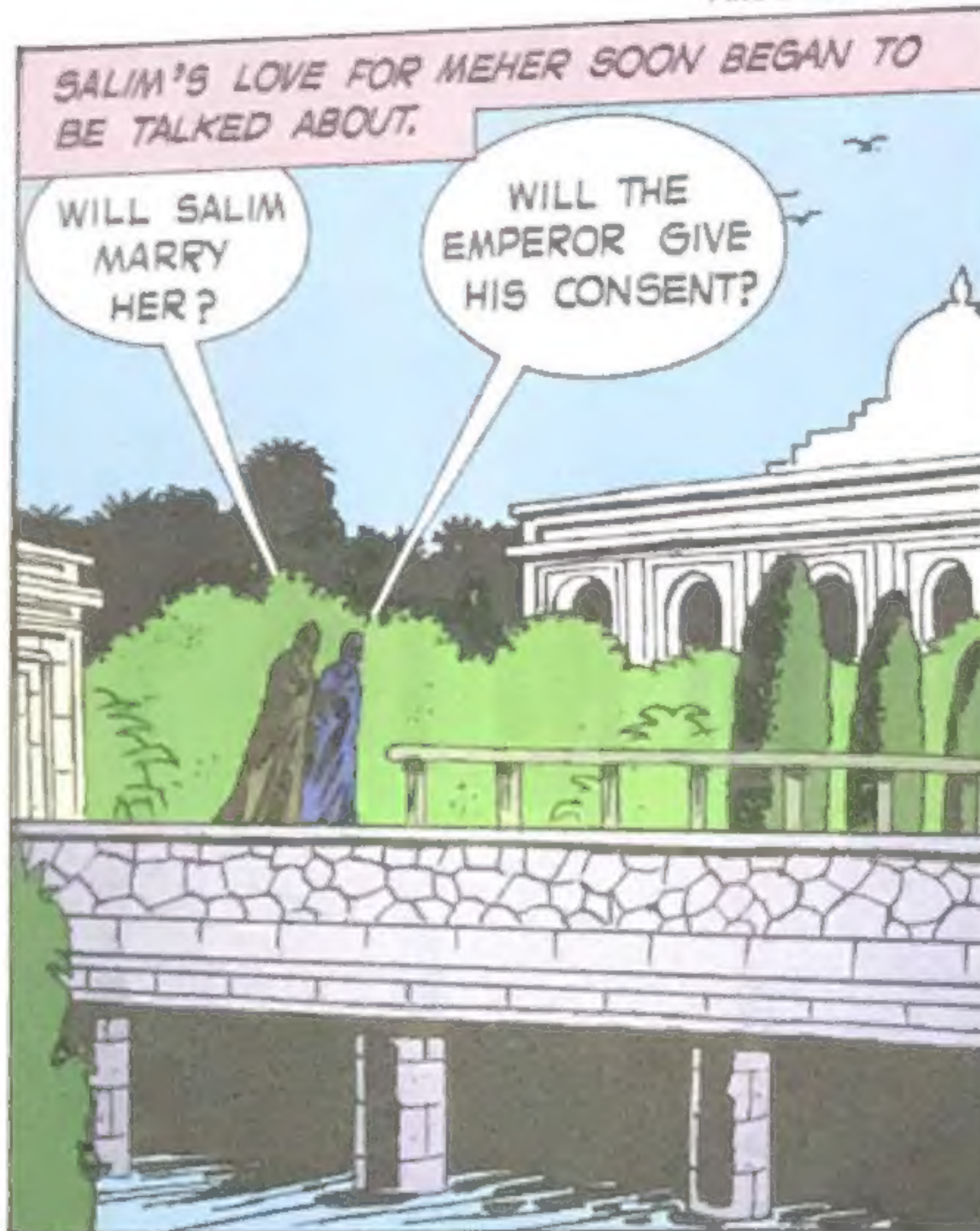


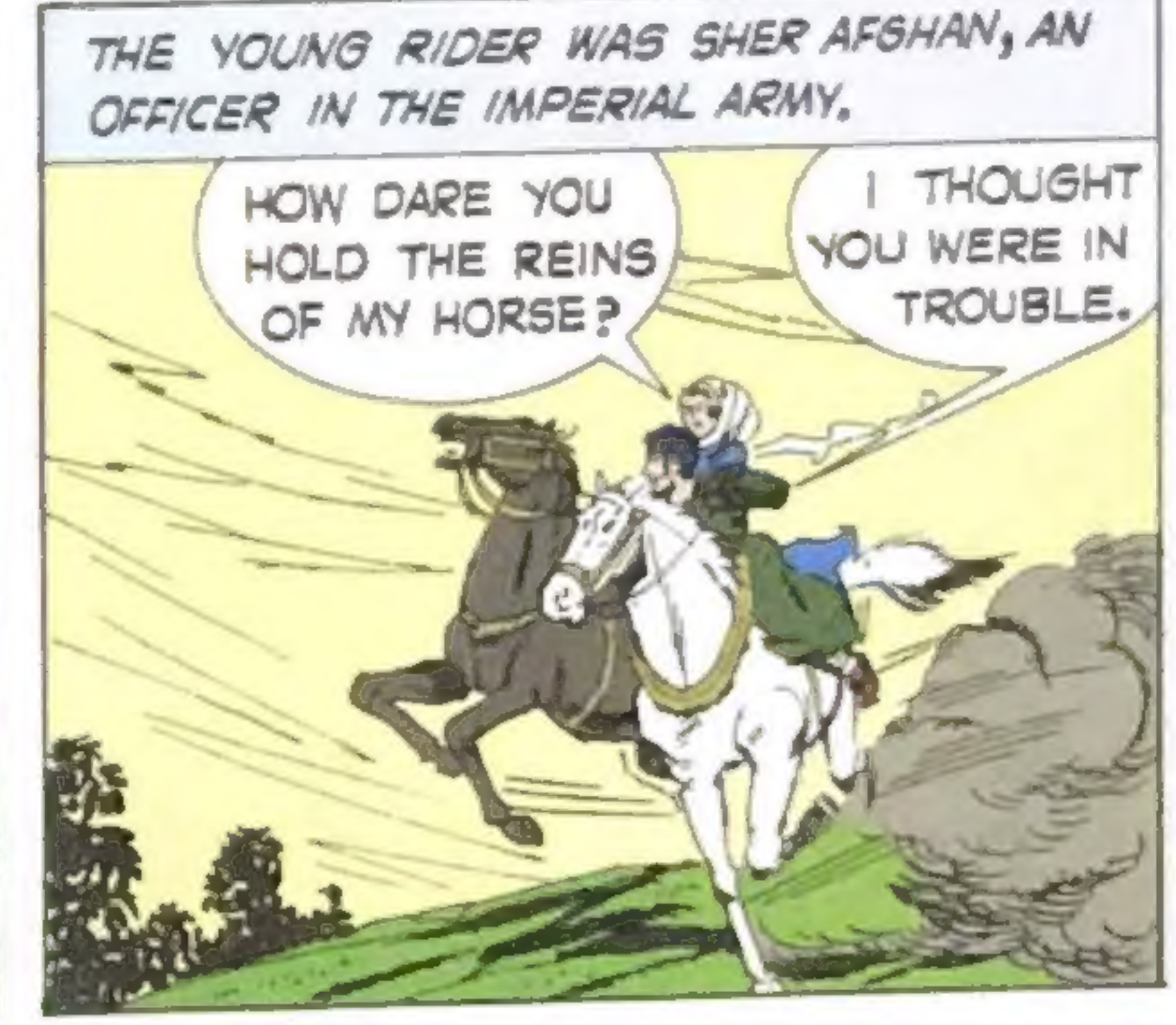
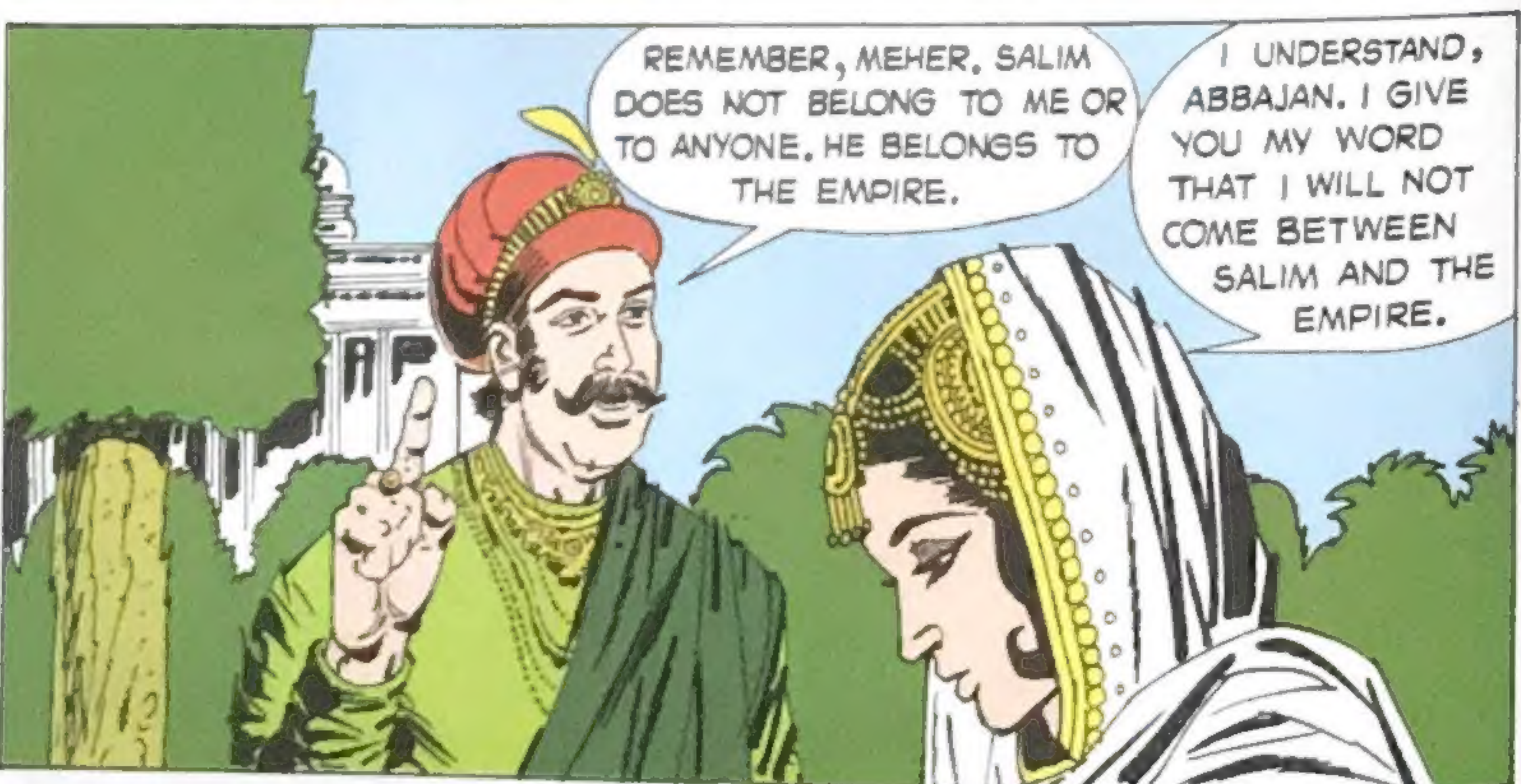
DURING SUCH VISITS, MEHER OFTEN WENT WITH HER MOTHER TO THE PALACE.



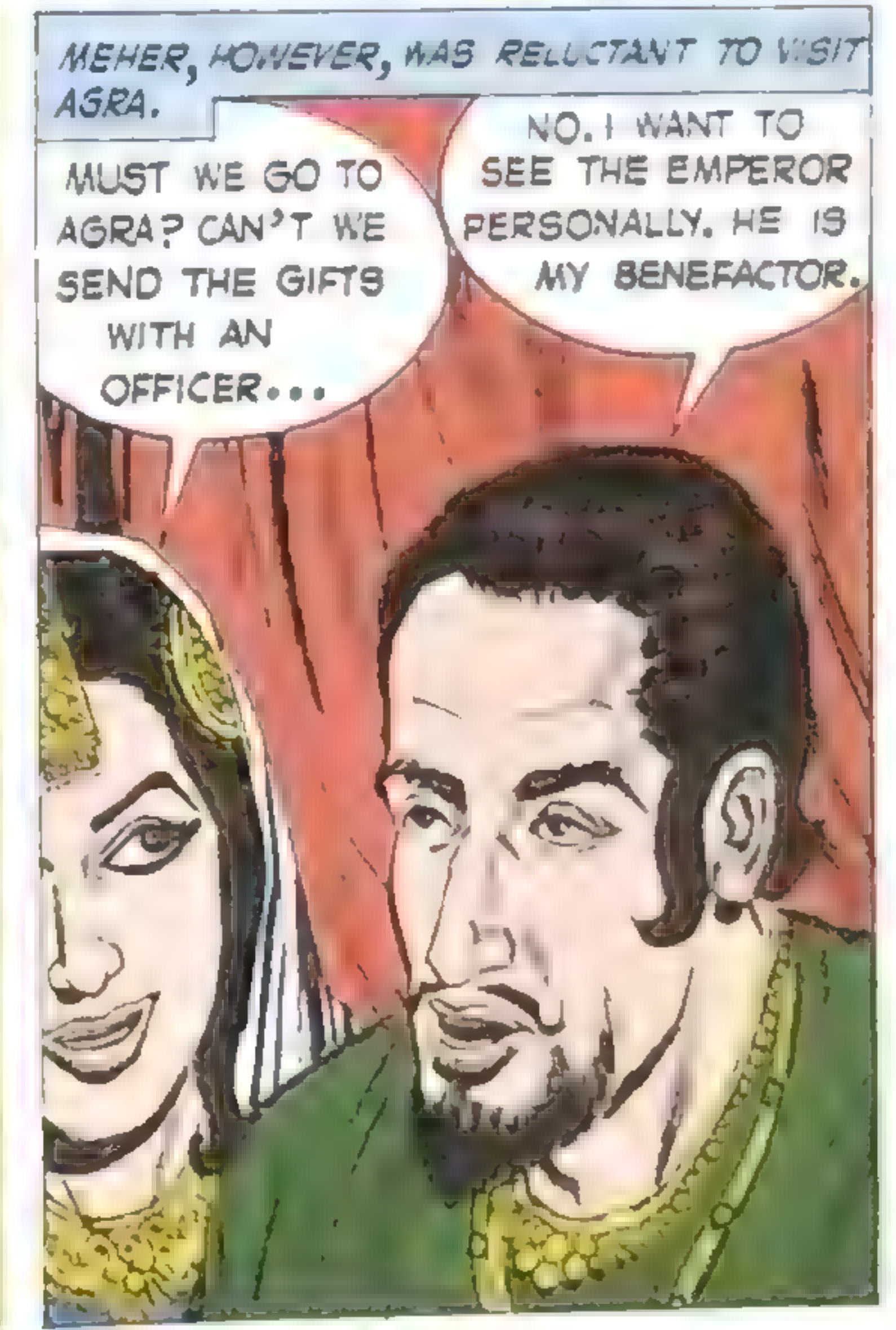
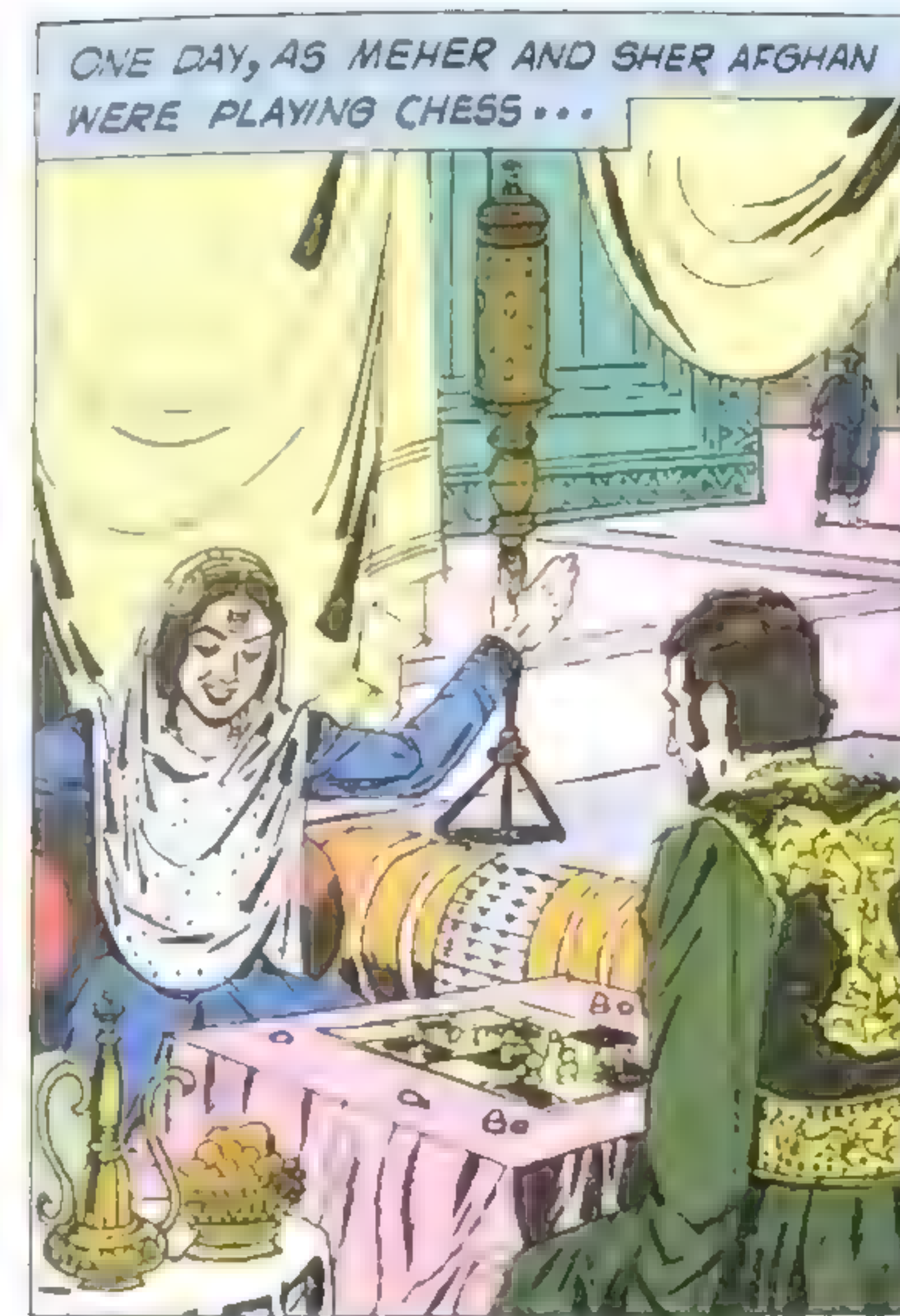
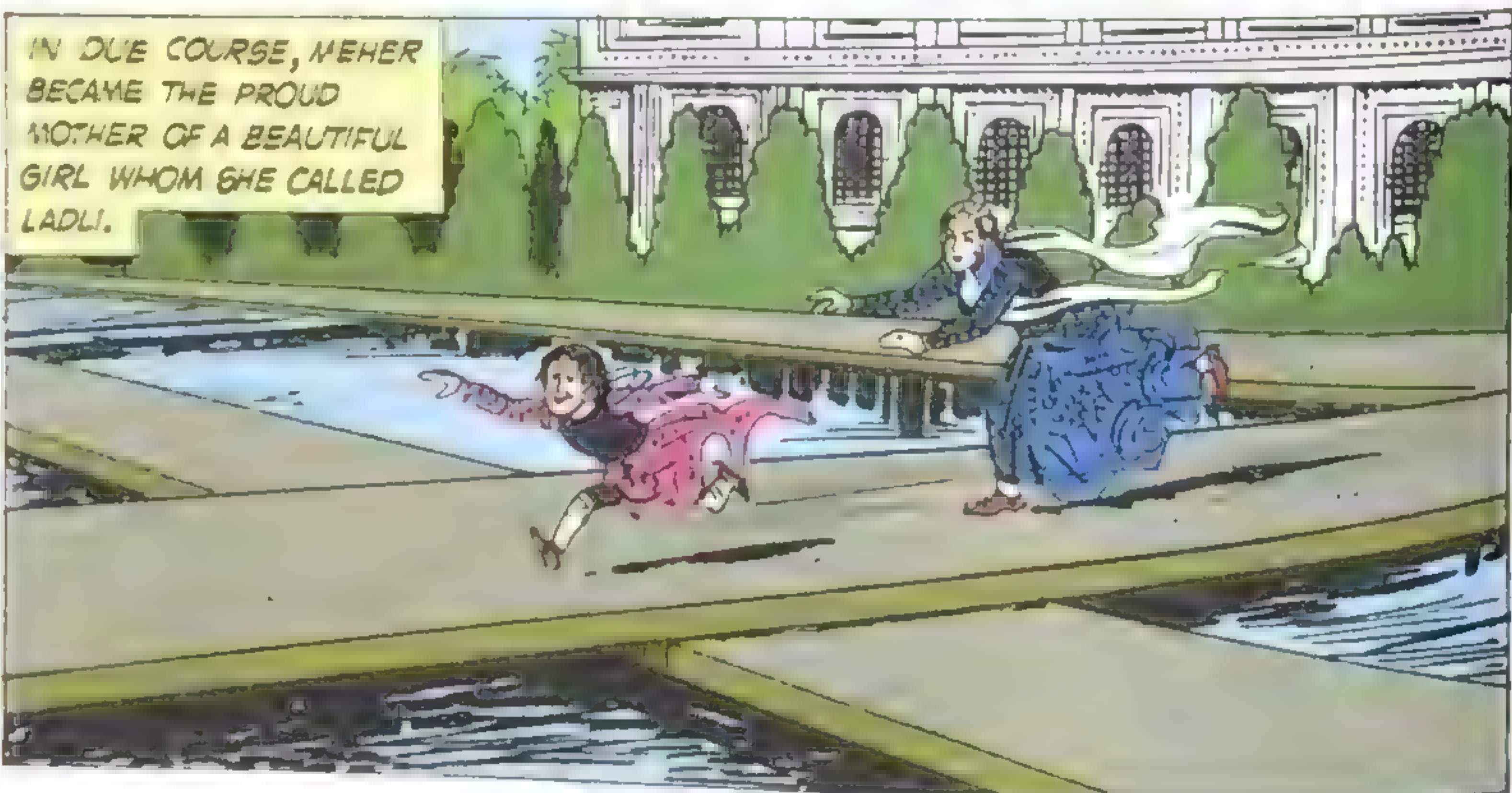
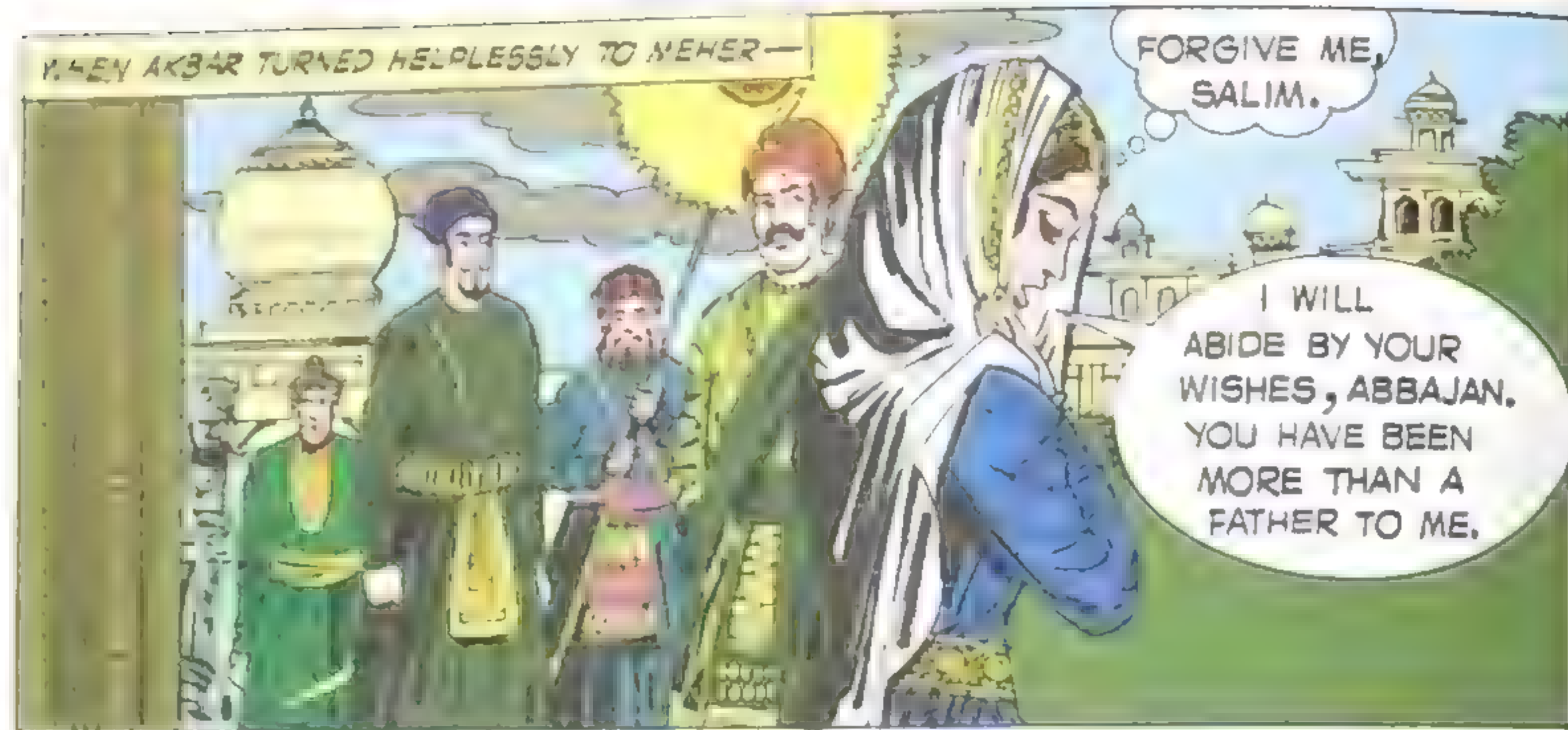






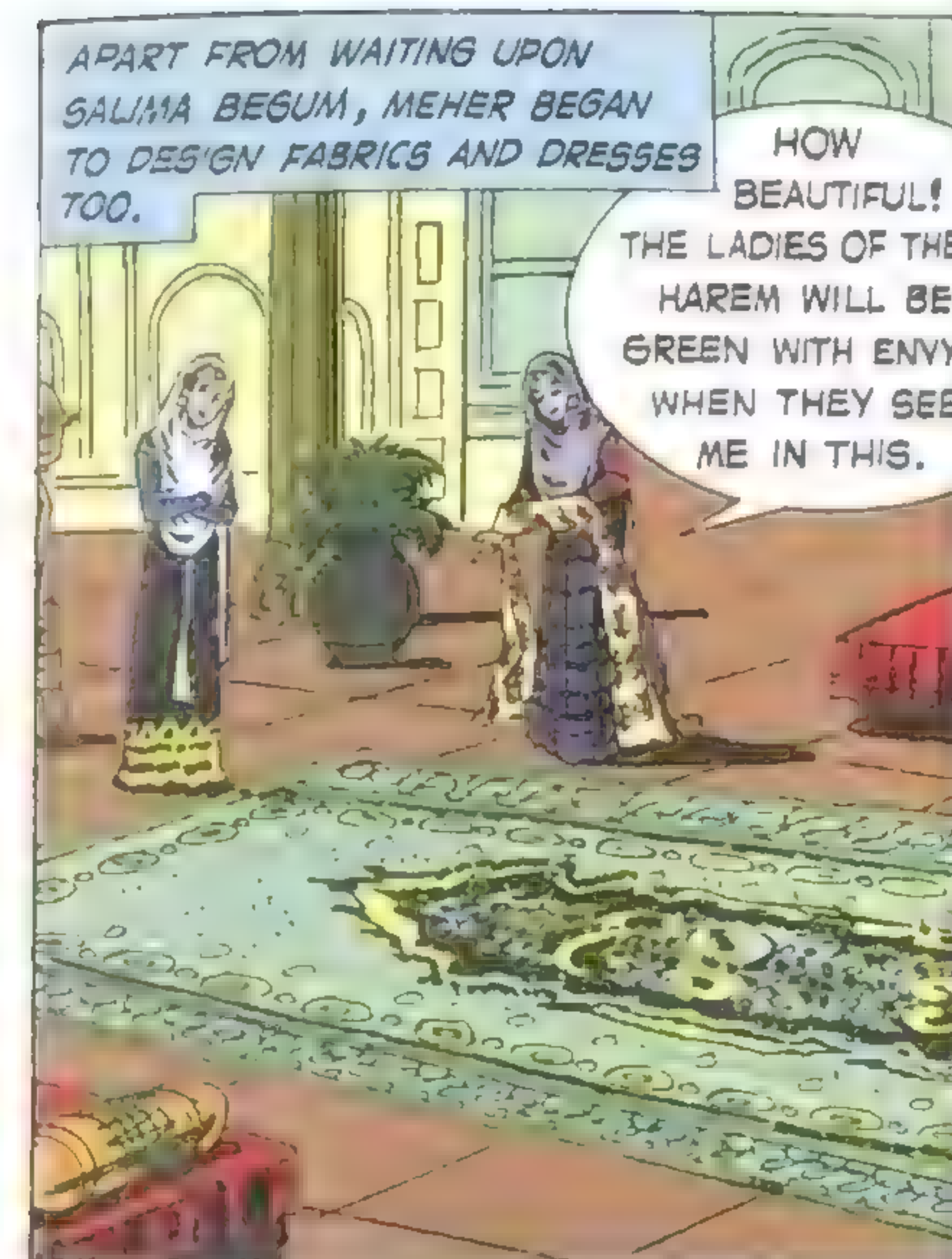




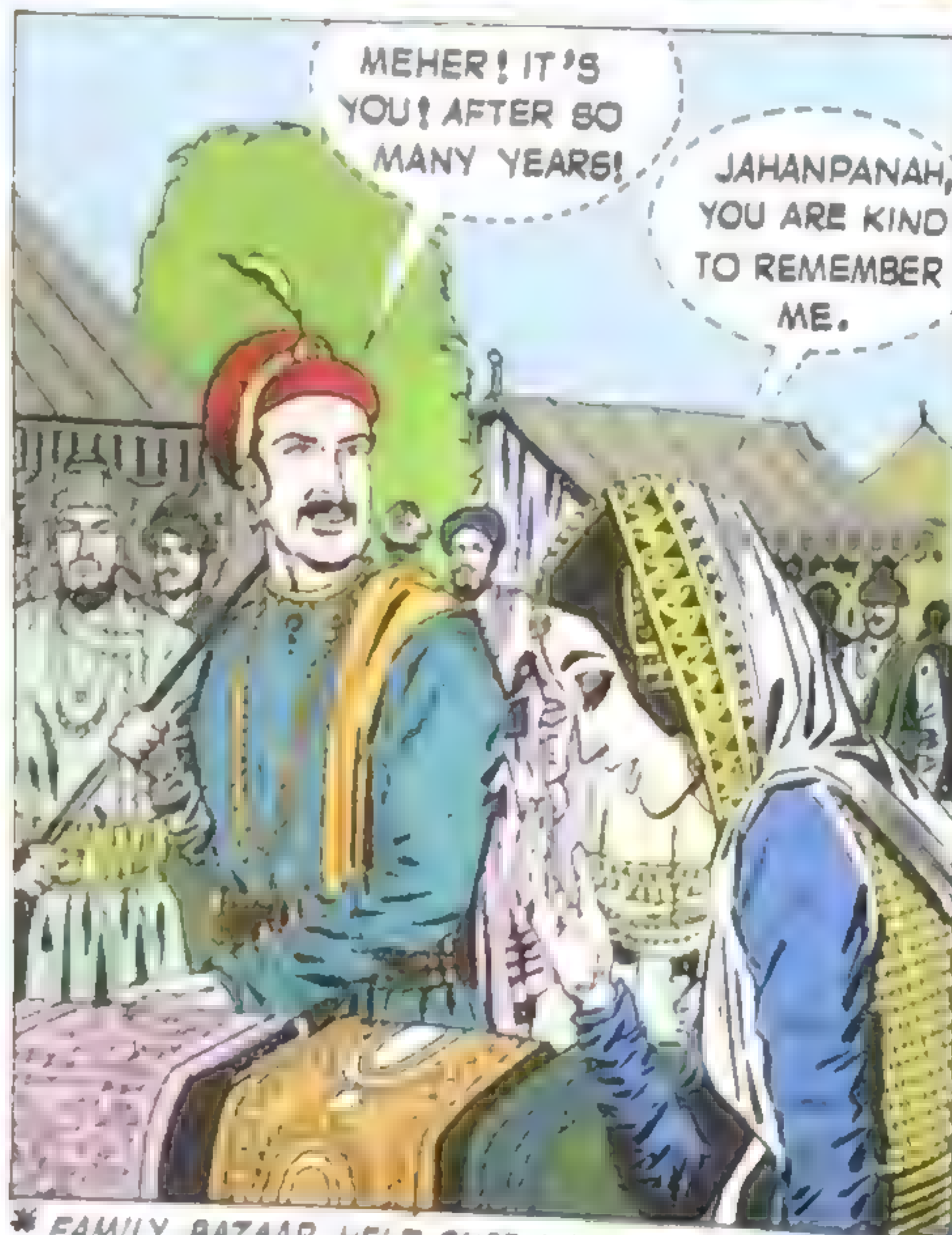




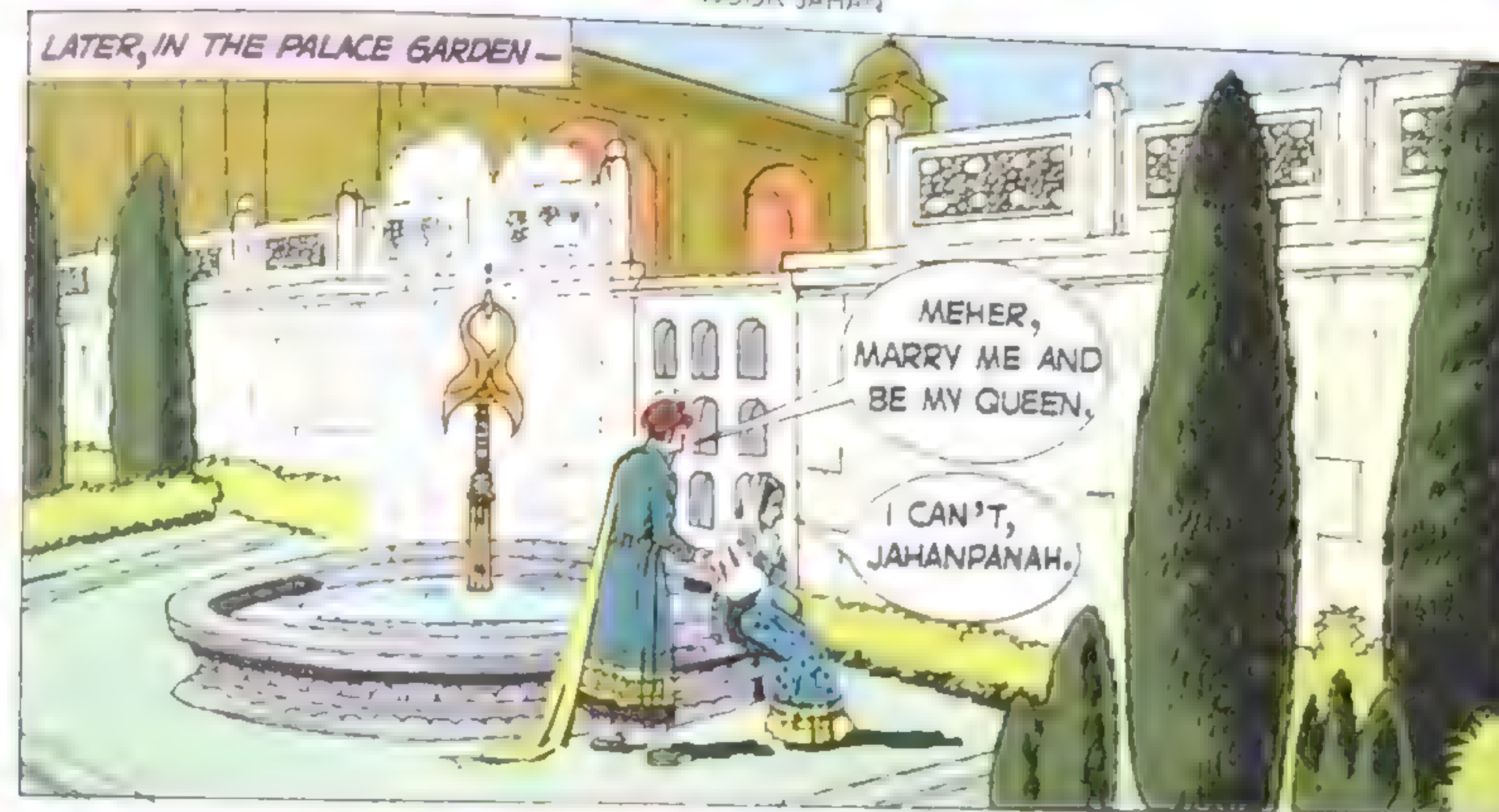
FINALLY, MEHER AGREED AND SHER ARGHAN LEFT FOR AGRA WITH HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER.



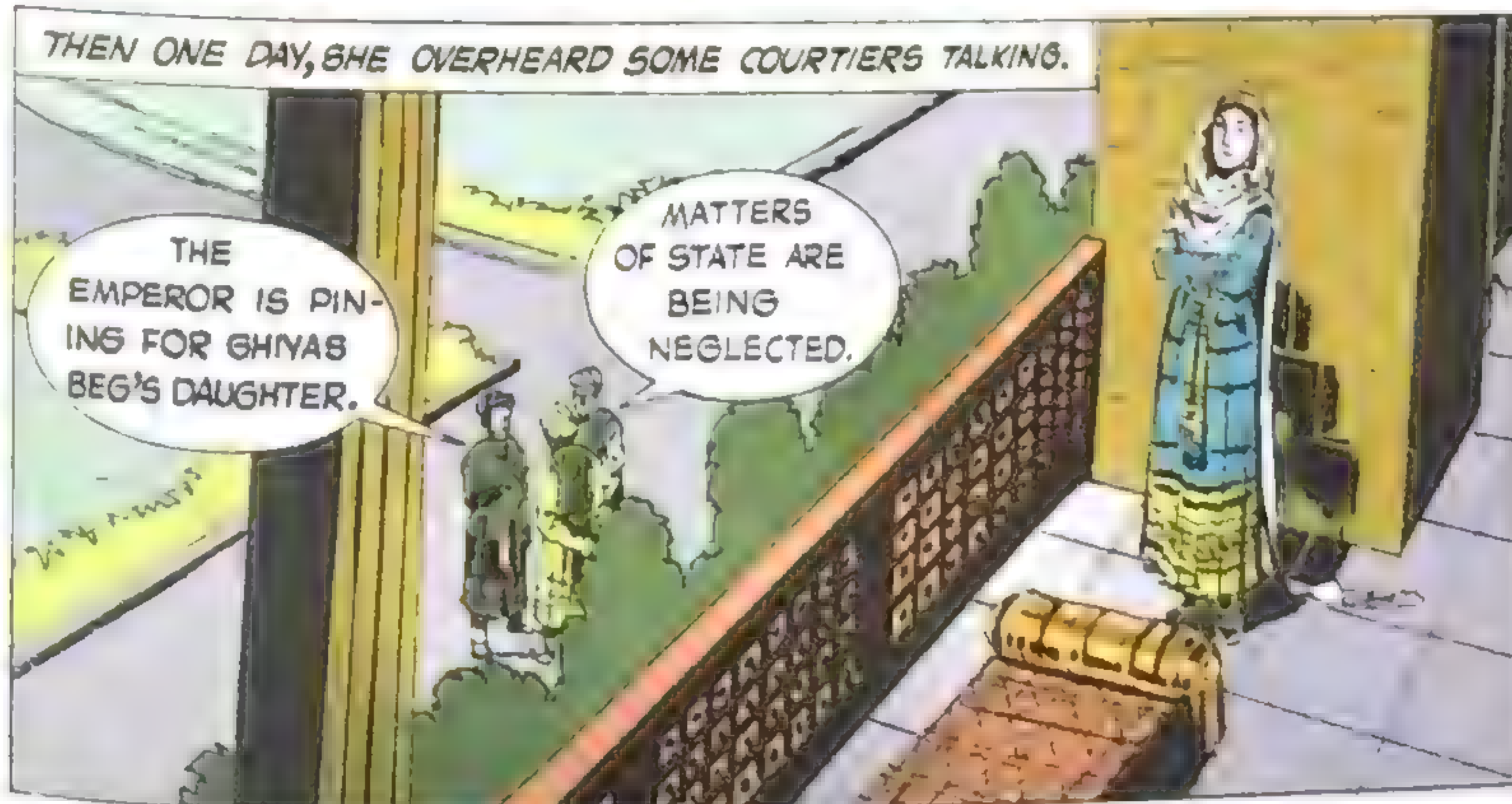
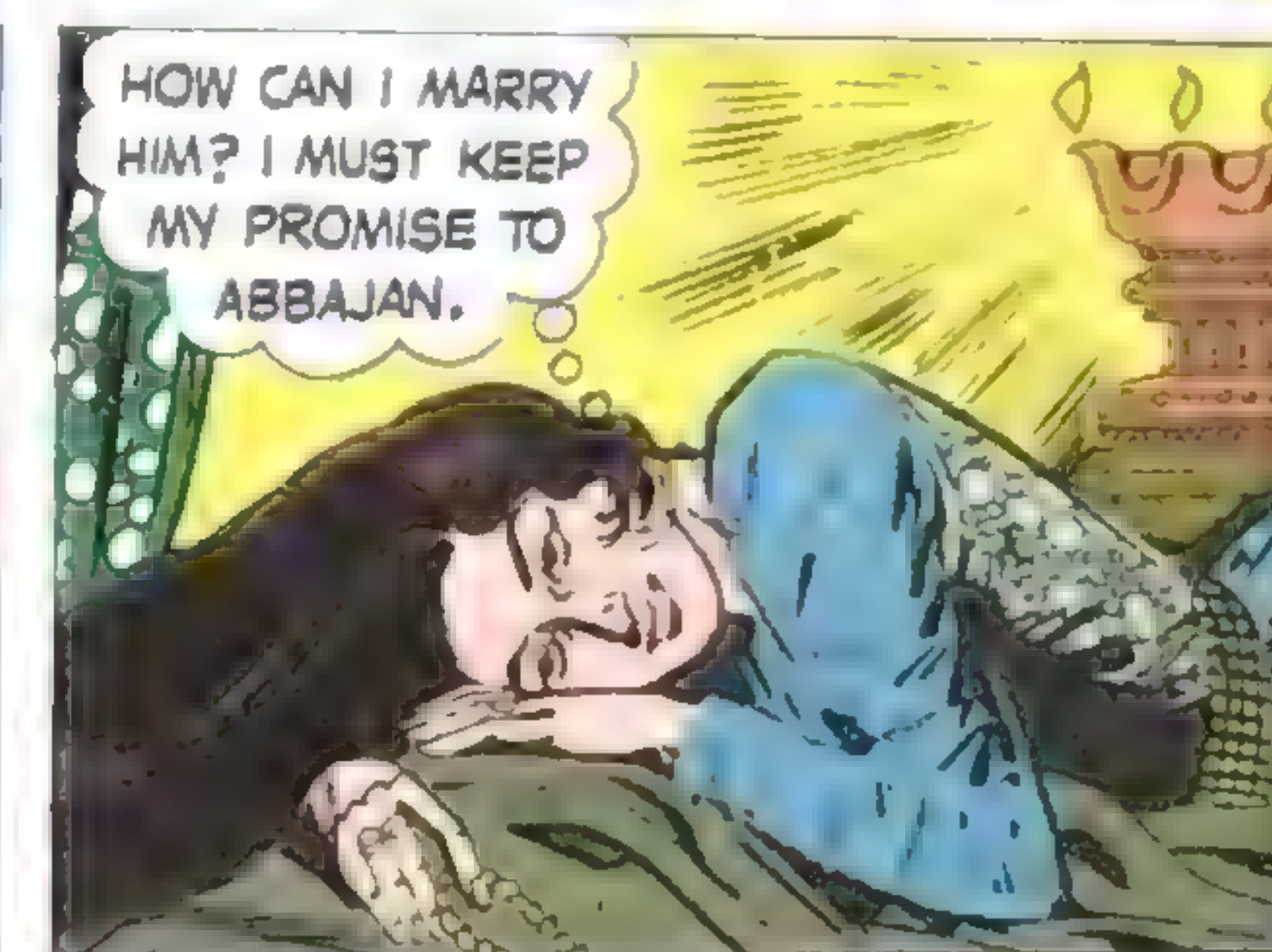
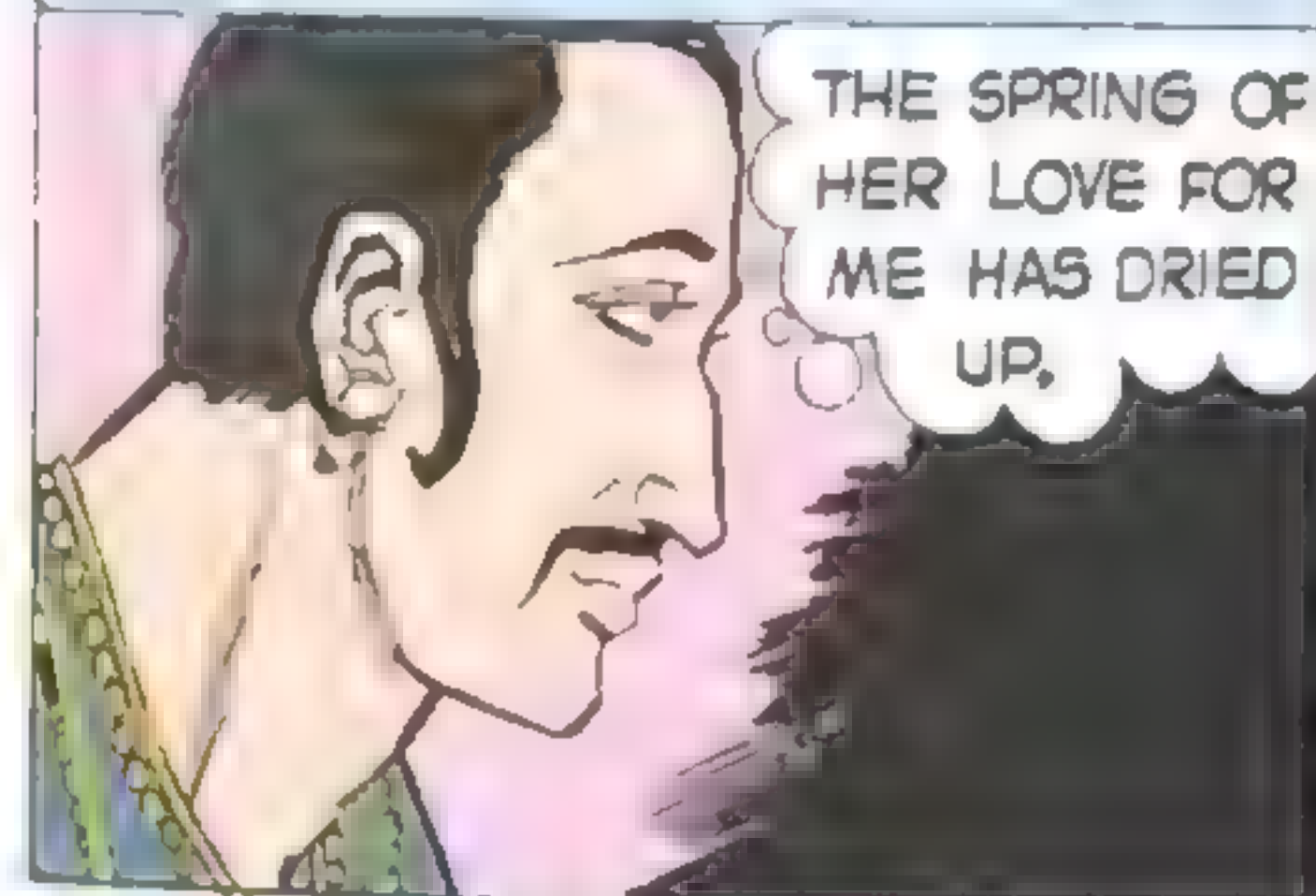
* AN ORIENTAL PERFUME



* FAMILY BAZAAR HELD ONCE A YEAR, AT THE PALACE.

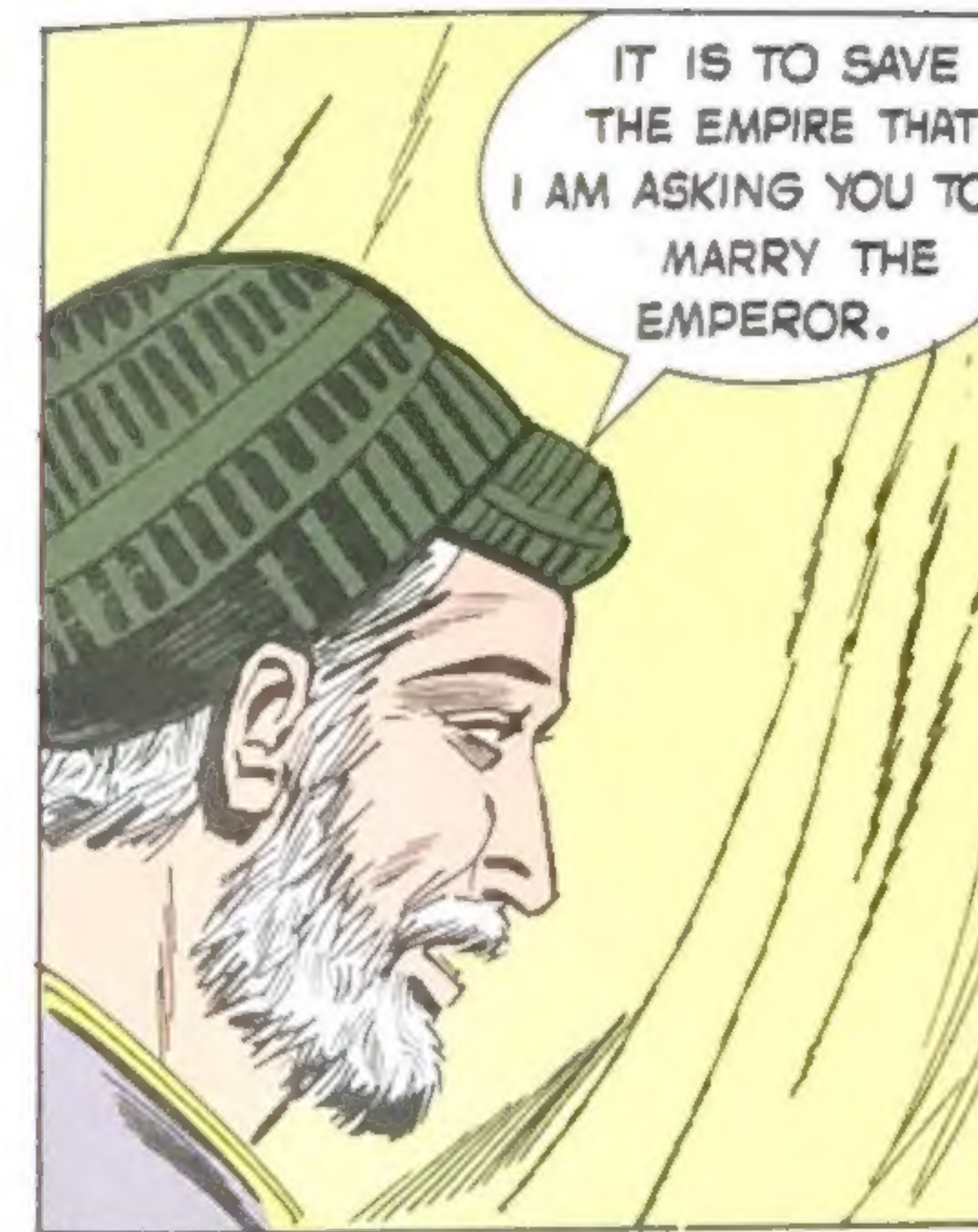


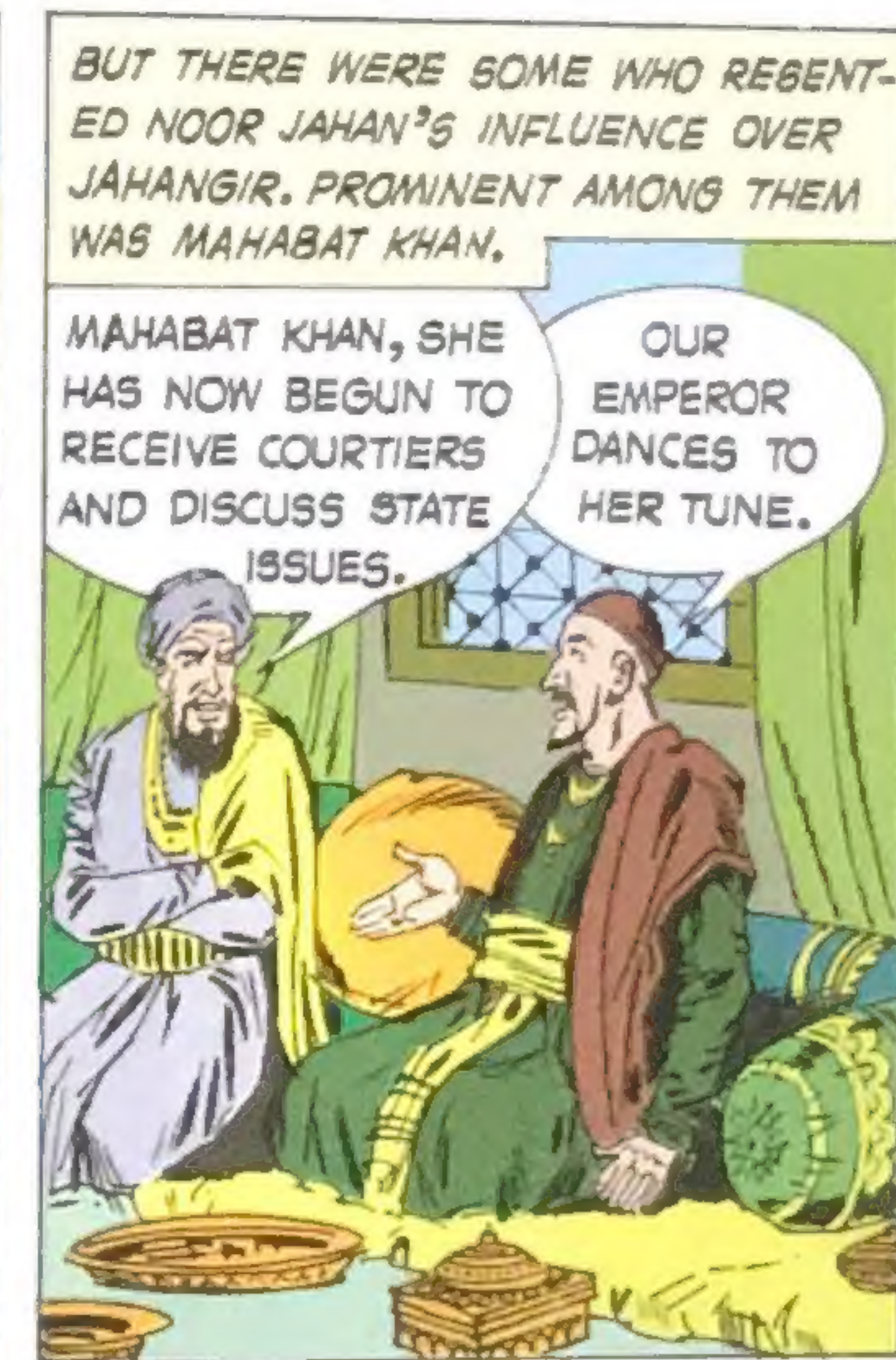
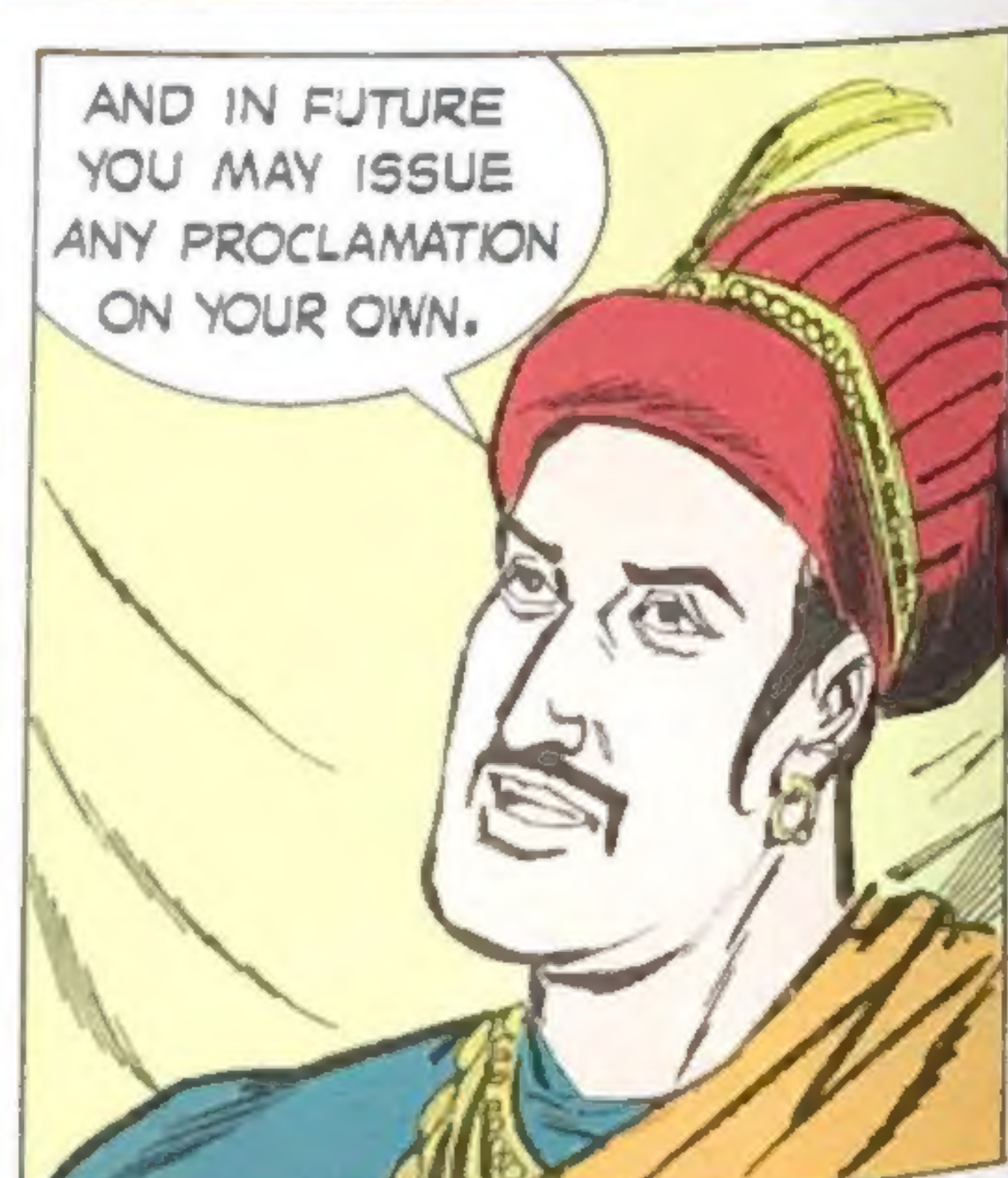
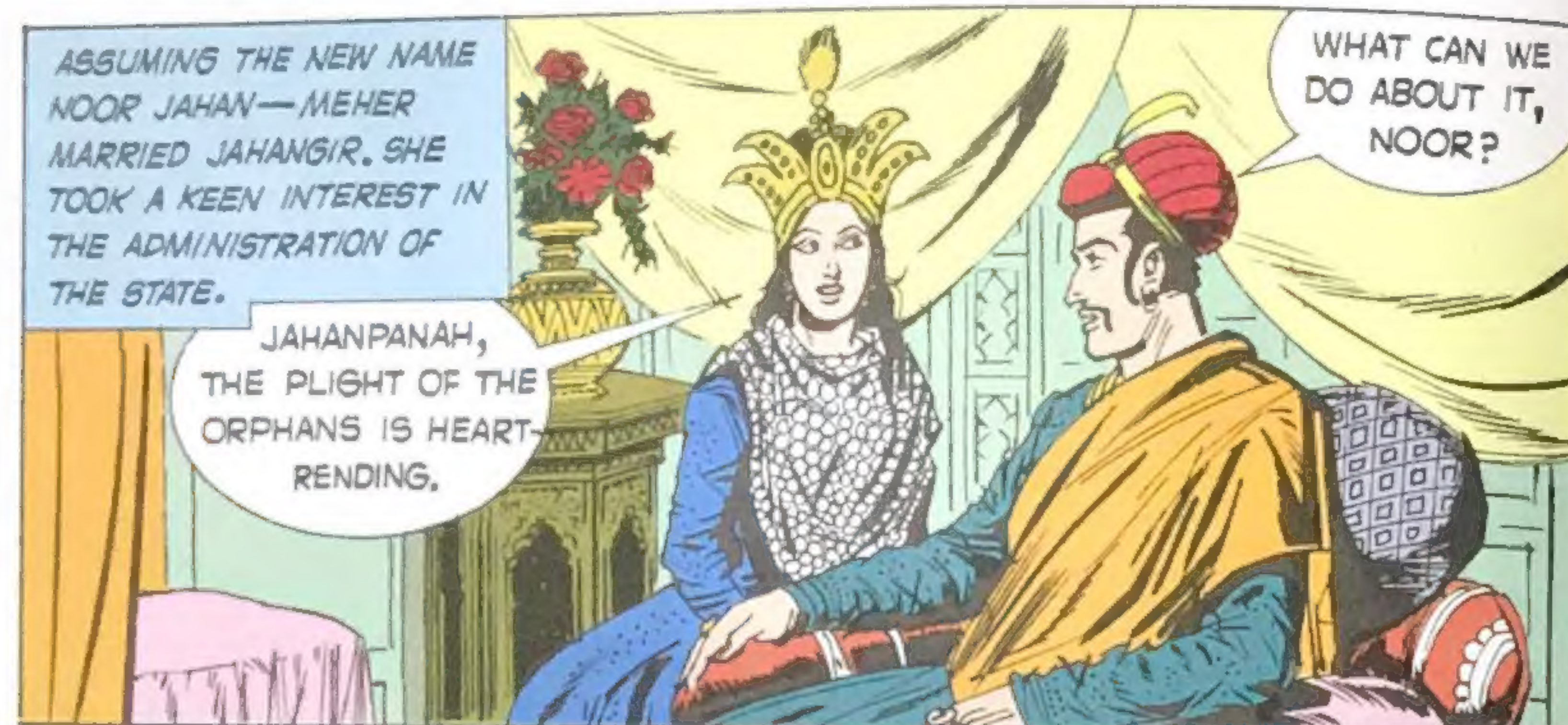
JAHANGIR REPEATEDLY BEGGED
MEHER TO MARRY HIM AND EACH TIME
MEHER GENTLY TURNED HIM DOWN.

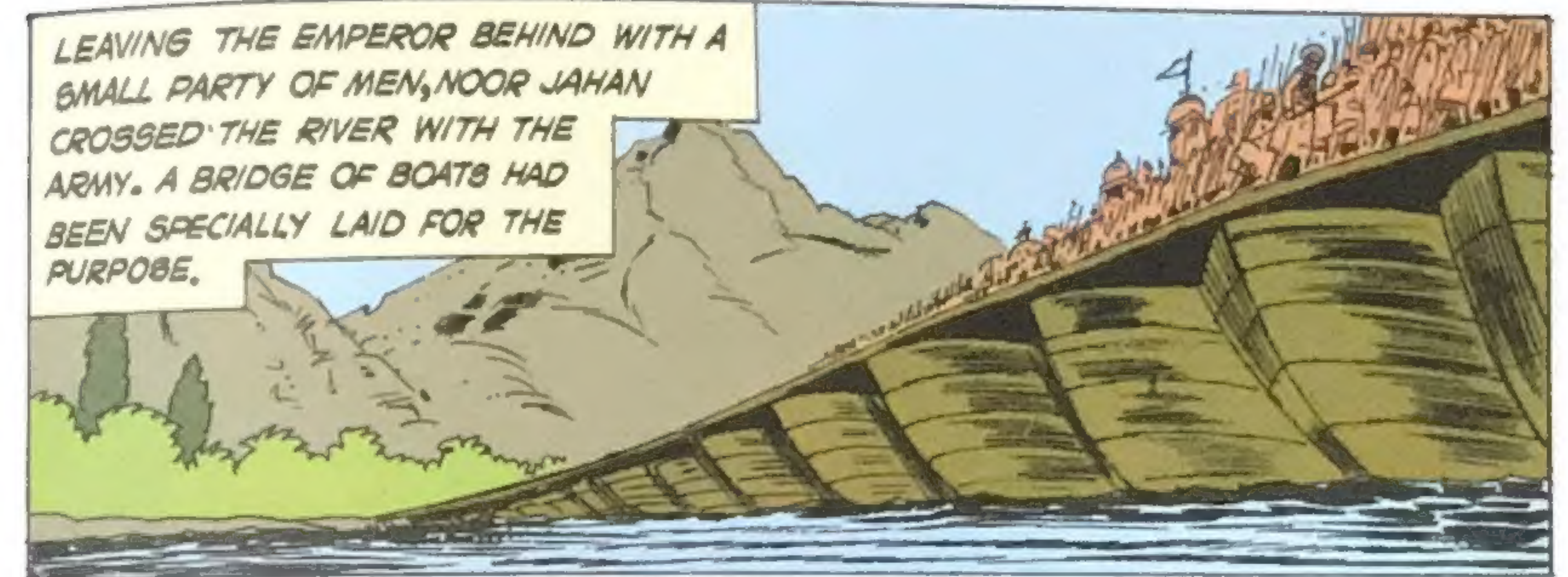




* SUPERINTENDENT OF THE ROYAL HOUSEHOLD.

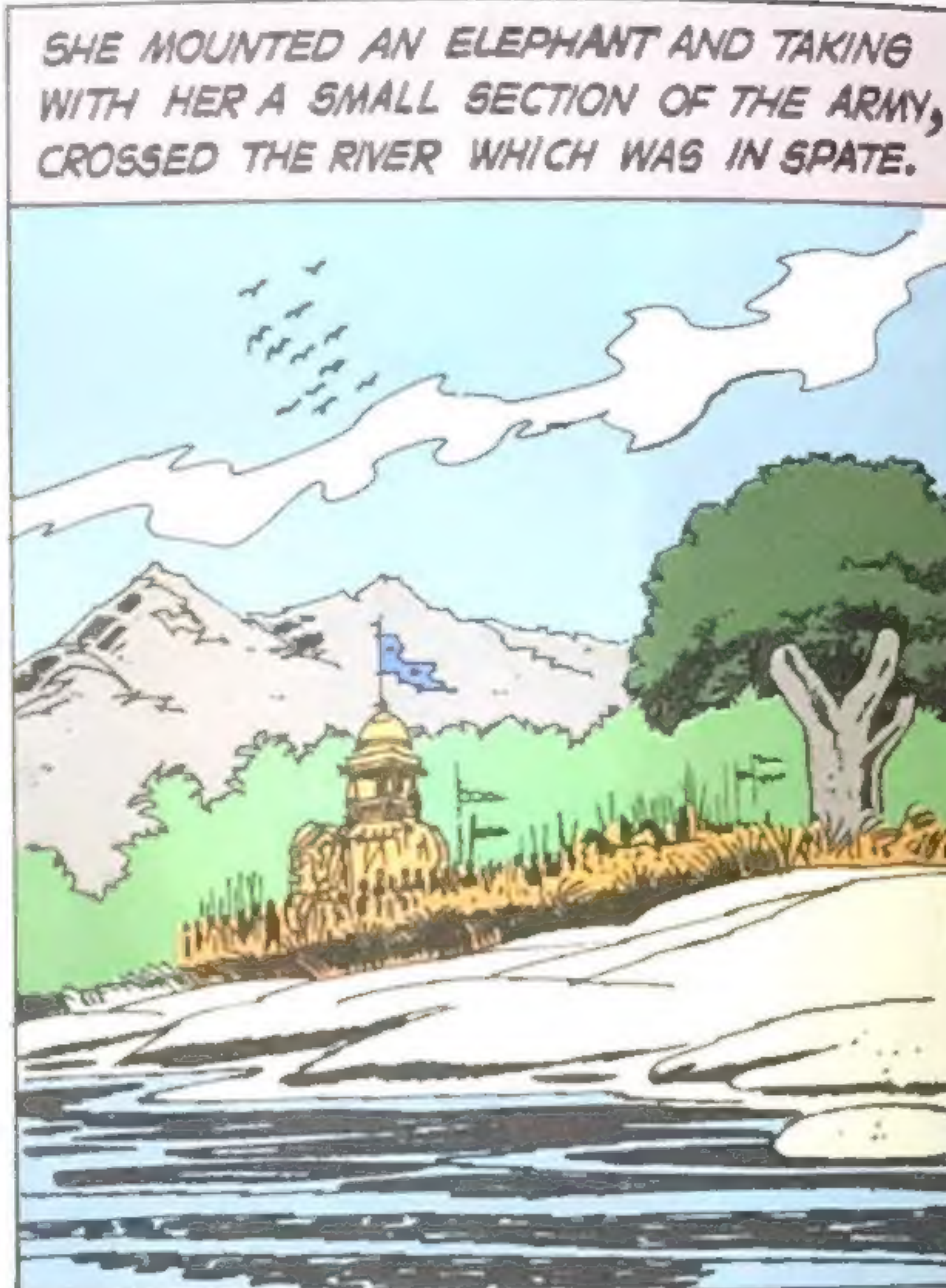








BRIDGE OR NO
BRIDGE, WE SHALL
CROSS THE RIVER!
NOW DO AS I SAY.



SHE MOUNTED AN ELEPHANT AND TAKING
WITH HER A SMALL SECTION OF THE ARMY,
CROSSED THE RIVER WHICH WAS IN SPATE.



IN THE FIGHT THAT FOLLOWED, SHE WAS
DEFEATED AND TAKEN CAPTIVE.

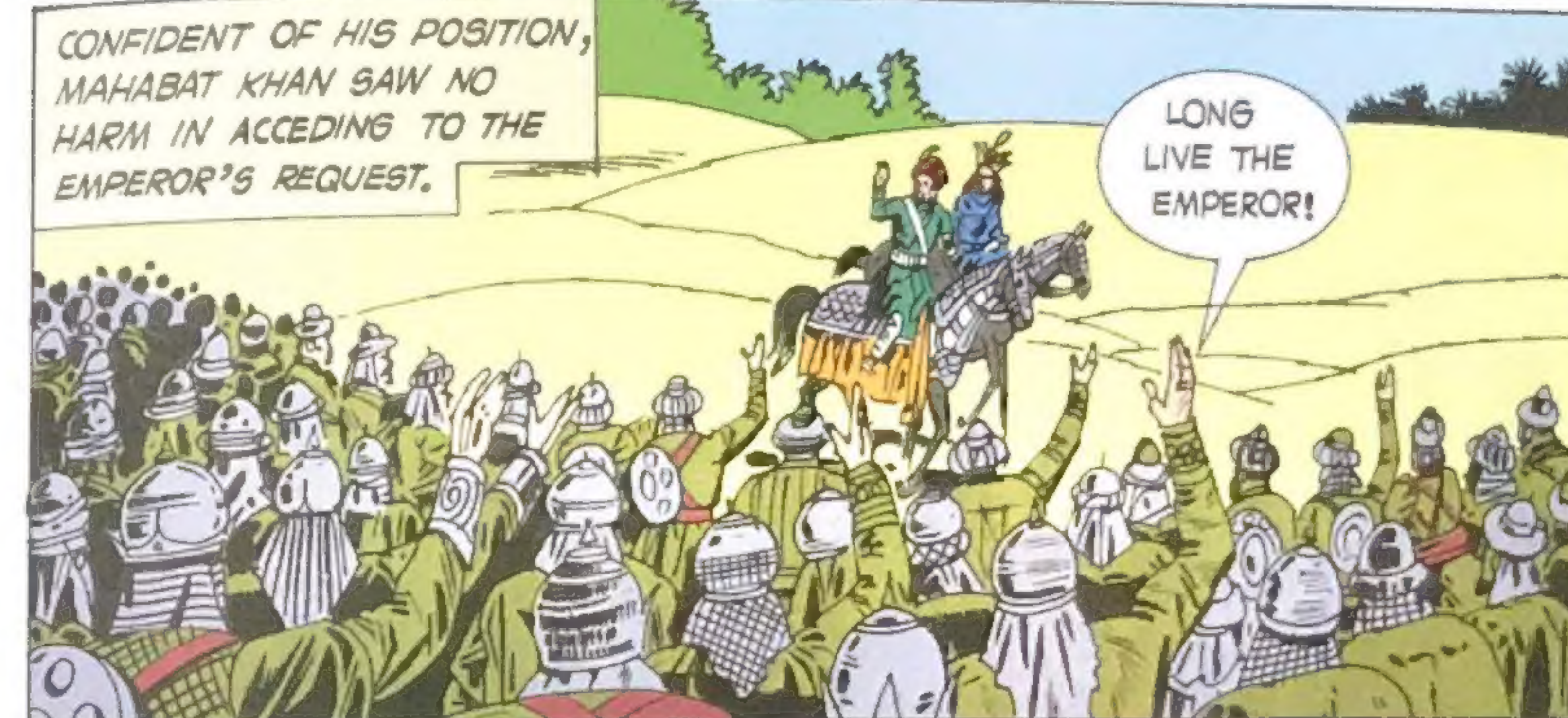
BEGUM SAHIBA, WHY
DID YOU TAKE THIS
UNNECESSARY
RISK?

I HAVE NO
WISH TO SPEAK TO
A TRAITOR. LEAD ME
TO THE EMPEROR.



NOOR, YOU
ARE SAFE! WHAT
A RELIEF!

JAHANPANA, WE HAVE
NO TIME TO WASTE.
TELL MAHABAT KHAN
THAT YOU WOULD LIKE
TO INSPECT
THE ARMY.



CONFIDENT OF HIS POSITION,
MAHABAT KHAN SAW NO
HARM IN ACCEDING TO THE
EMPEROR'S REQUEST.

LONG
LIVE THE
EMPEROR!



AS PREPLANNED, THE
SECTION OF THE ARMY LEFT
BEHIND BY NOOR JAHAN,
CROSSED THE RIVER AND
TOOK THE ENEMY BY
SURPRISE.



IN THE BATTLE THAT FOLLOWED, JAHANGIR'S
ARMY WON.

NOOR, I OWE MY
LIFE AS WELL AS MY
HONOUR TO YOU.

JAHANGIR DID NOT
LIVE LONG AFTER THESE
EVENTS. ON HIS DEATH,
NOOR JAHAN SETTLED IN
LAHORE WHERE SHE DEVOTED
THE REST OF HER LIFE
TO THE MAKING OF PERFUME.